VID" CONROY AS A BASE RUNNER

He and Schaefer Get Longer Jimmy Britt Talks Like a English Player Stood Alone as Leads Than Any of the Other Players.

"Wid" Conroy, considered by many to During my life I have done a good deal "The Caddie" in the Tattler.

day in discussing base running.

get back almost any time the catcher, mainly as a sport and not as a profession.

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Schaefer Tells Stories.

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Herman, with all his wit, however, doesn't seem able to get as big a lead as Conroy. "Wid" doesn't spend much time "kidding" the basemen, but he's always far off the bag.

Davy Jones does not get a big lead, and Cobb's are hardly ever much out of the ordinary. Neither does Sam Crawford lead off any sort of distance. "Ownie"

In one of the practice games here the other day "Ownie" was leading far off the bag. He was smiling at the pitcher and that grin of "Ownie's" is enough to stood over here as is the case in America. tantalize most any twirler. It was in a pinch and Bush was standing, pigeontoed, arms outstretched, moving his body

The twirler shot the ball to first. The ball had Bush beaten by a foot, but he succeeded in twisting his small body around in the rear of the baseman, touching the bag and turning over. The ball was returned to the box and the Tiger shortstop again gained his lead.
Again the pitcher threw and this time
Bush beat the bell. He led off again and so for six times he was far off and beat the baseman before Crawford spanked if they had to earn their daily bread by not serve your apprenticeship to the pro-one to third and the fielder found that keeping fit, and with 'the strong right fession, and you were sent away to an Ownie had the second base well in reach when he whirled to throw.

Bush Learning Fast.

From the way Bush is working and the way he is heeding advice he should give Conroy and Schaefer somewhat of a contest for first honors in leading off. Matty McIntyre gets a fairly good lead

and George Moriarty is in the same way. Beckendorf and Stanage are coming around and Jennings is spending a lot of time teaching the two catchers the art of

hardest kind of luck. There's hardly ever an instance when Davy is caught work, it is only natural that he should day. Your good friends at Bury, where that it is not by the least fraction of a not take up that profession. second. Davy and the ball always seem to reach a base at the same time. up their present work.

Cantillon's Houseboat Party.

Since they joined the Tigers neither Charley O'Leary nor Herman Schaefer has had much to say about the houseboat parties which Joe Cantillon gives camp with his regiment the other day he turned loose a lot of the houseboat ing ring."

Charley has been trying to do a lot of WHY SAM LANGFORD explaining ever since Joe was in town. In the first place Charley was pretty much of a tenderfoot, and that covers many of the sins he committed, but none the less his crimes are such that will live. The night before the first day's hunt Cantillon suggested that the party turn to bunks at 9 o'clock. Not for Charley. morning. Joe being the host and Charley the guest. Joe consented. So they played

cards till early morning. Charley was awakened from his sleep ing Charley to get up. Joe lit a candle and Charley dressed. The other members of the party were all ready.

They started. Charley was given a littie lantern. They walked for miles and miles. Finally daylight came. But no geese, for it was geese that they were of Jack Johnson. Joe finally told Charley to dig a pit. He gave him a gun and told him to

stay in the pit till the geese came. 'I knew that a goose wouldn't come there in a million years," remarked were thrown into the same company, ing year at Hoylake your second cham-Cantillon as he was telling the story. Well, Charley didn't see any more of same dusky belle.
the party till after 4 o'clock in the after.
Johnson was at

at 6 o'clock Cantillon said to O'Leary: "Well, Charley, what'll you have to head dropped, heavy with sleep.

hunt. He had stationed O'Leary and another member of the party at a certain point where he believed the geese would come. Cantillon went some distance away and waited.

"Pretty soon," said Joe, "I saw the geese coming. There must have been at least 500 of them. I thought they would knock the two over. I yelled to them and told them to look out for the flock. "On came the geese, closer and closer. I was getting impatient. I could see not a mysterious code of some nature. O'Leary and the other boy standing there talking. For a time they discussed whether they would shoot or not. The geese were swarming all around them. Finally they decided to shoot and they didn't do a thing but blow up two wooden decoys for me.

Baker Better Than Bradley.

Both in New Orleans and Mobile the fans and newspapers went dippy over Baker, whom they voted as a better third baseman and hitter than Bradley, the Cleveland star. Here is a sample from the Mobile Register of the bouquets handed Baker by the southern newspapers: "Baker is a youngster, and, it is stated. was secured by the Philadelphia Americans for \$400, but even at \$4,000 he would have been a bargain, as he can certainly hit, and hit hard. His home run was not the only hit he drew in the game yesterday, but he secured another safe bingle in the early part of the contest.

"I ran across an old acquaintance the "Casually, or in your automobile?"-Raltimore American.

WHY ENGLAND DOES NOT LEAD IN BOXING

Solomon to the English Sportsmen.

be the best utility infielder in the Ameri- of traveling, in one way and another, but Harry Vardon, there was once a time can League, gets a bigger lead off the I can truthfully say that few things have in your career when you stood quite bags than any other man, writes a spe- surprised me quite so much as something alone by yourself in the world of golf. cial correspondent to the Detroit Journal that I have noticed since I have been in Facts and figures speak, and facts and from San Antonio, Tex. Herman Schaefer England-namely, that although in the figures emphasized your right to be concomes second in this feature of base run- past, on countless occasions, English box- sidered the greatest golfer of your genera-"How Conroy does it I never could find country, boxing as a profession' does not time, as you exhibited such a superiority out. I don't believe that any one can just seem to be understood at all; or, at least, over those you had to meet, and those figure it out," said Joe Cantillon the other only in a very hazy, indistinct way," included Braid, Taylor and Herd among "If Davy Jones could get as big a lead "Now, in America, we regard the pro- justification in the belief of your admirers as Conroy gets there is probably nothing fessional boxer as just as legitimate a fol- that for a space of two or three years you that could stop him," remarked "Hughic" lower of a profession as we do a lawyer, stood in a class by yourself. Your deeds Conroy hardly ever gets caught. He is bat, or-well-devotees of any other call-away off the bags all the time. He can ing: but over here boxing is looked upon was invariably the same old tale to tell,

Boxers Are Not Hooligans.

"You have your professional foot ball umphal procession. players and cricketers who are able to secure regular employment from year to ball today than Schaefer, and the Ger- year, if they are good enough, and yet the man is one of the most popular players boxer who holds out for what he considers his services to be worth, to a great extent, seems to be regarded as unsports-manlike and altogether not quite 'a white man.'

sort of hooligan.

to modern exponents of the fistic art, as a sound one. In any case it seems to many of whom are men of good educa- take just sufficient edge off your game to tion, and recruited from quite a different bring you back to your fellow profesclass from the rowdy hooligan of days sionals, and during recent years you have

outside members of the public to take up to give way in this respect to the present offers of financial reward to persuade men you are still comparatively young, as you of better birth to, in their younger days, were born in 1870, and as rumor has it decide to try to win fame and fortune that your health is more satisfactory

No Heavyweights.

"I think, in consequence, that I am now number four. quite safe in saying that it is unlikely Bush is beginning to get down toward the that the heavyweight champion of the next bag and taking chances. He is making good, too. The kid is a mighty small chap, and he is learning to slide beausmall world will spring from this country until beau- it is made better worth their while for still it is true, that you first came into to boxing; in other words, for the profession of boxing to be as clearly under-

> many far more pleasant callings than my brother who not only had the makings own, but, at the same time, I regard it of a better player, but moreover actually as every bit as honorable as that of any other member of society. And, believe that he had not made his appearance on me, it is far from an easy calling, as, all the firmament, and winked their eye and

> those critics who are apt to run down player; you have indubitably proved that.
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> professional boxers as being hopelessly The truth is opportunity had not come overpaid would soon change their views your way, as when very young you did

"I should like to make it quite clear, however, that England's present lack of big men' champions is not, in my opinion, in any way due to lack of good men, but simply through want of encourage-

Masters.

"After all, your professional boxer is just as keen on having a good business year as is any one else. But if, when was particularly anxious that you should "After all, your professional boxer is leaving the bag and starting for the next selecting a career, a man finds that in acquit yourself well, as I was mainly base.

Davy Jones, as speedy as any man in base ball, finds himself running in the base ball, finds himself running in the sum of money in return for his base.

"Still. I make no doubt that quite soon the profession of boxing will be looked against the Huddersfield man, and you falled somewhat sadiv. Firstly, in the The Tigers are improving. They'll be upon as a legitimate one in this country, off and away in grand style if they keep and then it is quite safe to prophesy that old England will regain her lost laurels. world is an Englishman, I guess that no Huddersfield, and you came away from one will grip him by the hand with more enthusiasm than an American, for we have the greatest admiration for English past-masters of the fistic art.

"However, until the profession of boxalong the Mississippi river annually and ing, as a means of earning a livelihood to which the two Tigers are generally and not merely as a sport, is recognized invited. When Joe broke into the Tiger I fear that a man wearing the union jack belt will not triumph over the best the world can put up against him in the box-

IS AFTER JOHNSON

It is an interesting story that Sam Langford tells of his experiences with front, improving your position each suc-Jack Johnson, and the reason that he ceeding round, and the two favorites fall-He was strong for opening a bridge whist particularly desires another match with ing away in the final stage, you just party and playing till 1 o'clock in the the heavyweight champion. Fighters, as lor, greatly to the surprise of everybody, much as any other people in the world, as the spectators left you almost alone to have their foibles, and while there are your own sweet devices. In your final a few who stick entirely to business prin- round you had two devoted admirers a by the voice of Joe. The Washington ciples the most of them have their own the start, and actually ten who walked manager could not be seen. He was tell-private reasons for wanting to do this beat Taylor in that play-off, and perhaps or that. Langford, in common chiefly you had every reason to thank those who with colored fighters, will do exactly what originated the idea that Taylor should his manager says, but all the same, he come up to Ganton to play you just a arm movement—that is, kept their hands few weeks before the championship, as as much as possible below their hips—

It appears that after their other fight in which Langford made a good showing considering his weight, even if he did lose the decision, that the two fighters and although you failed in the succeedboth endeavoring to be pleasant to the pienship fell to you in 1898 at Prestwick,

When the party reached the househoat scarf. Langford was unadorned at that

"Don't you ever wear diamonds, Mistah your career, as at the time you were so eat? What can we get ready for you?" Langford? maliciously asked Johnson. Langford's reply was to flash a \$1.200 health broke down sadly immediately equaled among American runners. The "My bunk," drawled O'Leary, and his beauty that was reposing in a vest pock- afterward. Still you won with consumet. It didn't altogether save the day, mate ease. Cantillon told this incident of one day's however, and that is why he is thirsting for the blood of the man who beat Tom-

my Burns. When Ah get a chance at that Johnson," he remarked, "all Ah got to do is to think of diamonds and he will get some fighting. Ah tell you, And if Ah some fighting, Ah tell you. And if Ah ever get him down on the floor, that's a less important character that you what Ah'm goin' to say to him." So when this pair get together if the over all others. You had a habit of word diamond is heard in the fray you will know what it means, and that it is

Good at Multiplication.

resolution, recently adopted by a woman's club that women should learn boxing.

They showed the play in this tournament as good as anything you have ever done in your proper spirit—the spirit which understands life. But what about your performance that things worth having must be striven more respectful consideration at the hands rounds was eleven strokes less than back they shall be my waiters in alternasay-and of husbands.

will never be a boxer. And the idea that derful medal round ever returned. a knowledge of pugilism would improve her condition is similar, in its absurdity, to an idea expressed recently by my little daughter. "My little daughter is a friend to read-

sums she fails. "Looking up the other day from a work on the Australian fauna, she said to her governess wistfully: 'I wish I was a rabit!' .

"'Why, my chad?' "Because this book says they multiply with extraw-nary rapidity. (Copyright, 1909, by Estelle Klauder.)

GREATEST GOLFER

a Leader for Several

Years.

ers have 'beaten the world,' yet, in this tion, if not even the greatest golfer of all writes Jimmy Britt in Pearson's Weekly. others, that there was almost more than a barrister, a music hall artist, an acro- certainly warranted this assumption, as viz., Harry Vardon first and the rest anywhere; and in the years 1898 and 1899 your career was literally one tri-

Then an episode occurred in your life which in the light of subsequent events seems to have been the turning point in your career. It was your trip to the states, as you never seem to have been quite the same man since, and there can "But I have noticed, with not a little be but little doubt that the strenuous life surprise, since I have been over in Eng- our American cousins literally forced you land, that there are not a few people who to live in your sojourn across the water still seem to imagine that a boxer is a had a decided effect on a constitution which was probably never too strong; "This, however, I think is an injustice and a sick man cannot play golf as well had to rest content with a comparatively "I have also noticed in England, how-ever, that few inducements are offered to game; in truth, you have certainly had boxing as a profession-when I say few champion, and Taylor has had none of inducements I mean not sufficiently large the worst of the argument with you. But than it has been for years it is more than probable that you have not yet concluded your championship successes, which even

It seems somewhat peculiar to say, but ublic recognition through your young brother Tommy. In 1892 and 1893 he was looked upon as one of the most promising of the younger generation, and he un-"I will say at once that I can think of he always persisted that he had a the year round, one has to live a life of considerable self-denial both in and out of training.

"I make no doubt in the world that that you had the makings of a better obscure inland course in Yorkshire.

But when opportunity did knock at the door you very soon grasped it with both hands. Your first match of importance Americans Admire English Past was against Sandy Herd at Heysham. It was your debut in this class of encounter, and it was trying you somewhat highly, you a chance in a home-and-home match failed somewhat sadly. Firstly, in the ignorance of inexperience, you decided to get the worst over first, and winning the choice elected to play the first half at rears; not bad considering, but at Bury, when Herd refused to allow you to get any of this lead back, you threw up ...e sponge and let him do literally as he pleased. So your first two ventures were not promising, but in the championship at Sandwich in 1894 you had only four players in front of you and again did well at St. Andrews in 1895.

> lowing year at Muirfield. Herd and Tay- the game in the world. lor were all the rage, and for the first three rounds they played as if the championship lay between them, but you were unobtrusively working your way to the not tend to lessen your confidence.

From that time you never looked back, and at Sandwich, in the following year, Johnson was arrayed like Solomon in you simply outclassed the field. Then noon. He was still watching for the geese.

O'Leary Shot the Decoys.

Johnson was arrayed like Solomon in all his glory. He had on a suit of clothes that could talk, but his chief ornamentation was in the way of diamonds, that flashed from his fingers and from his flashed from his fingers and from his and you had to wait until 1903 before

> evinced that extraordinary superiority making your opponents appear mere sound, commonplace players, particumore than once to suffer from the lash of your brilliancy. Your place at the their rivalry over which should have the Irish meeting at Portmarnock in 1899 honor of serving him. THE Countess Pierre de Coldirodi at a bordered on the miraculous, and I have dinner in New York sneered at the heard that you yourself consider your said Senator Bailey. "They showed the "These ladies," said the Italian novelist, at St. Anne's-on-Sea, when in a field of for. They weren't like Vincent Cressley "think that a boxing woman would get eight picked players your total for two of Copiah county, and whenever I go of thieves, of flaneurs-or mashers, as you that of any other competitor and your one individual round of seventy-one seven tion. strokes lower than any other score re-"But that idea is all wrong. .. oman turned-in my opinion the most won-

In style you now represent, and have done for many years, almost the beau ing and a foe to ciphering. In natural ideal of what the swing of the club winnings history she succeeds, but in the simplest should be, and nobody in the world his eyes. ideal of what the swing of the club winnings the silly fellow couldn't believe the money, and announced joyously and should be, and robody in the world his eyes. plays with more case or appears to I get all this for my one dollar? have a greater command of the club. But there was a time when the swing of maker. your club was distinctly broken, not "Vincent's look was to say ugly and unattractive, and many the Valley of Diamonds. judges expressed the opinion that you "'By ginger,' he muttered, 'and I never would not last. I remember one well knowed it! Say, how long has this thing known St. Andrew critic remarking, been goin' on?"

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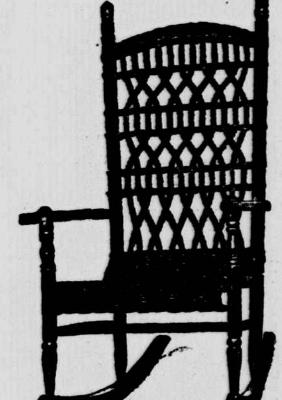


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All these old-timers ran with the lowwas the result of an invasion of English Furthermore, it is safe to say most of can coaches to guessing until they finally managers and do more thinking perity to carry speed long distances to the managerial salaries. There are times manner in which they swung their arms. when the real manager is idle on the runner of note now in this country who versa. There is no time when a good does not keep his hands up, and Alf catcher is not employed busily, both anything that has ever been seen on a records Bonhag and Shrubb have hung up do a combined thinking and acting part. between them are proof enough that the But many question the wisdom of mak-American style is the best. Jimmy Lee, the ex-New England cham-But though you have won no fewer pion, is a sample of the arms-down run- chine. Moreover, a manager is supposed

> A Salted Gold Mine. (Copyright, 1909, by Estelle Klauder.)

honor of serving him. "Oh, well, I don't blame those boys,"

"Vincent Cressley celebrated one Easter Monday by going, for the first time in his minded fool, and his companions easily their cotton holdings, but he knew the persuaded him to stake in the third race price would go higher, and therefore he turn the stem is cut and hung up to a dollar on a 60-to-1 shot.

'Do you mean to tell me,' he said, 'that 'That's what you do,' said the book-"Vincent's look was like Sinbad's in

HOW MUCH CAN

A CATCHER STAND

Is a catcher too busy to manage a ball HE sweet pea, which is a flower that club? This question has arisen from the assertion of President Comiskey of the White Sox that he thought Billy ducing cut flowers, should be planted NEW YORK, April 3.-The rapid im- Sullivan had enough to do without be- early in the season, in April if possible. provement in the running of American ing burdened with the managerial reins. long-distancers the past year or two has In the two major leagues there are at present two catcher-managers, Roger drawing in more and more from time to work. Yankee athletes, after a trial that en- Bresnahan of the St. Louis Cardinals dured through years, have gone back to and Frank Bowerman of the Boston trench is entirely filled with soil. the style of running in vogue here twenty Doves. Neither of these men has had years ago, and, except in a few rare in- a chance to prove his worth, and for stances, no longer affect the old English that reason it is manifestly unfair to style common in the days of Tommy Con- jump to the conclusion that either will neff, Willie Day, Eddie Carter and other be in any way a failure. A major league backstop, particularly under the present the first string catcher to work in five has some ideas of his own on the subject the trouncing you then gave him would until physical exhaustion made it im- out of seven games, has the hardest job show. For beds where a brilliant color possible to keep them down. This fashion in base ball aside from the manager. runners, whose success set the Ameri- the present day catchers are assistant decided that the Britons owed their abil- haps than the men who are earning the purest white to scarlet. Gradually this idea has been relegated field. He may be working with his the scrap heap. There is hardly a brains, but not with his hands, or vice Shrubb, the greatest of them all up to the twenty miles, runs in the American style, in his hands oftener than in any one's From the Living Church. Shrubb's action is as near perfect as else save the pitcher's, and he is forced your fourth and last success, a victory, track. The closest approach to him in whatever the status of the game. In this country is George Bonhag. Bonhag these days of spit ball pitching a catch- very interesting. In Hawaii there is not as the Naps.' ing a catcher manager when he already is the most important cog in the mapire. There are few clubs which can best catchers put out of the fray for "kicking"-few clubs which have more than one really good catcher. The experiment which President Comiskey evidently is not eager to try will be watched with interest in St. Louis and larly Taylor, who had the misfortune more than once to suffer from the lash keep up to their previous standards of mechanical skill when carrying the extra weight of management.

Obey Orders.

From the Youth's Companion. The greatest financiers in the world, the Rothschilds, exact the strictest obedience to orders from the employes. "They Picayune, "a fine fellow. They telegraphed didn't sell till four days later. In consequence he netted an extra profit of \$40,000 "The horse won.
"When the bookmaker gave Vincent his to his firm. When he sent the Rothschilds the whole amount, with a cold note that ran: 'The \$40,000 you made by disobeying rolls back and falls off and a hand of our instructions is not ours, but yours. Take it. Mr. Blank, your successor, sails for New Orleans today."

"What's Hicks' religion, anyway?" "I can't remember the name. It's a foreign machine."-The Bellman.

SWEET PEAS AND OTHER GOOD ANNUALS

for prolific blooming and for pro-Sow it in trenches six inches deep, covering with an inch of soil at first and also declares that the Naps lack team time as the plants shoot up until the The nasturtium is old-fashioned, but has held favor against newcomers. It is one of the easiest flowers to grow, flourishing in almost any soil where there is good sunlight. Dwarf or tall plants in a teammate, who is evidently a trifle nettled score of color combinations may be ob- at being let out. Here is the latest from tained. The dwarf variety makes an excellent border for a shrubbery plantation. The petunia is of remarkably easy culture and makes a brilliant and constant display is desired few annuals surpass the Shirley poppy. Its petals have the sheen of silk. Some flowers are double, and some single. The colors range from Zinnias are large plants suitable for back rows and hedges. They may be obtained in nearly all colors, they flower of Comiskey's team size up the coming profusely all season and flourish where race for the flag. profusely all season and flourish where more delicate flowers would die.

luxurious growth and brilliant flowers, are that St. Louis would finish just as well the hoarding or niggardliness of slow growth; nature does everything with a lavish hand. Small annuals, in colder From the London Telegraph. climes, do not seem remarkable when they make their full growth but to perfect their flower and seed, but in the seem a remarkable feature. During my stay on the windward side of the Island of Oahu I have been studying the banana tree. In growth and habit it is exceedingly interesting. Very truly does it live but to produce its fruit, for, though a stem attains a height of from twelve to eighteen feet, as soon as one bunch of bananas ripens it is "pau" in

starts from the ground to pursue the same course. Each banana represents a single flower, a "hand' of bananas; now I understand ripen. Bananas hanging in the porch to be used at will are a very good substitute for the apple of colder climes. But to return to the flowers. The first hand of From the Tailor and Cutter. flowers turns very soon into tiny green bananas, and then the next leaf-like bract to perfection, and there is often seen

end of the covering.

ALTIZER ROASTS CLEVELAND TEAM

NEW ORLEANS. La., April 3.-Dave everybody likes and is unexcelled Altizer, a former Nap, cannot see where the Clevelands have a chance and places the blame on Nap Lajoie's shoulders. claiming that the Cleveland manager tails to enthuse over a play of any kind. ne

When the story was shown to several of the Cleveland players, men who have worked with Lajoie for several years. they only smiled and looked upon it as a case of sour grapes from their former the Pacific coast, as published in the Chicago Journal of this week, which was

sent to the players here: "It makes those Sox mad as hornets when fans award the American League pennant to Cleveland before a single ball "We will beat that gang of Lajoie's if we have to put knockout drops in their water bucket" is the way the members

"I don't see why all the fans are so Growth of the Banana.

From the Living Church.

Tropical trees and plants, with their luxurious growth and brilliant flowers, are

The Larval Form of Eels.

The straits of Messina are channels of immense depth, through which a wild larger growth of the tropics this does tide surges, and owing probably to irregularities at the bottom there are whirling eddies which have the effect of bringing up from the depths below many marine creatures which are rarely seen except in the deep sea trawls. It was here that the larval form of a fresh water eel was first discovered, an incident which threw a blaze of light on the life history Hawaiian parlance, "finished" in English of a very mysterious fish. All kinds of it is cut down and another tiny shoot theories have been given forth with regard to the propagation of the eel. Some naturalists declared they breed in fresh water, others that they visited the esand we eat the fleshy seed, pod or ovary. tuary for spawning purposes, but thanks something as in the apple, only that the to the discovery of Messina and later seeds have no covering, as in that fruit. captures of the eel in its larval form it is The large cluster of flowers is inclosed in now practically certain that after mature leaf-like coverings which roll back and eels drop down our rivers in autumn fall off, one by one, as a hand of the flow- they hie them to exceedingly deep water ers is ready to open. By a hand one in the sea and there deposit their eggs. means two rows of flowers going half From the egg comes a little ribbon-shaponce had an agent here," a New Orleans around the stem. I have often wondered ed creature, the larval form. In due man recently said to a reporter for the what was meant in the oriental stores by course this changes into an eel of still smaller size, strange to say, and these by looking at the empty stem from which small eels or elvers afterward ascend our life, to a horse race. He was a feeble- to this agent at a certain season to sell we have just finished eating the delicious rivers and there remain until they reach maturity, when they in their turn descend to the sea and history is repeated.

The Eternal Masculine.

A study of the trouser legs, as seen in the photographs of our most noted men. flowers comes to light till, one after an- brings the smile of contempt from even other, these hands have made a large the most disinterested; and one wonders bunch of bananas. In those that I have if anything could be uglier than the conexamined the last flowers have not come certina folds of the clumsy elephantine outlines that are there to be seen. hanging a folded bunch at the extreme Breeches, knickers and kilts are all far more artistic and healthy.